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Mystery Play In Production

Tryouts for Afraid of the Dark, the Mask Club presentation, were held Feb. 13 and 14. In announcing the cast, Mr. Dickenson, Mask Club adviser, stated that rehearsals started shortly afterward and are now in progress.

The play is a three act mystery farce by James Reach and requires a cast of six males and seven females. The story consists of two newlyweds who arrive at Stone Mansion to spend their two-week honeymoon. What they find at this supposedly deserted mansion is the surprise that makes this play move rapidly and the situation unusually humorous.

Cast members as selected are: Chauncey Stone, Charles Single, the groom; afraid of the dark, Lillums Stone, Wanda Oetken, the bride; General Lee, Glen Bradley, brave and true; Gridley, Ron Daugherty, aide de lunatic to General Lee, Mata Hari, Barbara Blankenship, a spy to end all spies, Queen Elizabeth, Gail Glidden, a royal crack pot; Mrs. Mayhew, Mary Fowler, in charge; Thomas, Jim James, an unusual butler; Karen, Janice Grove, a girl in trouble; Joe, Dale Haggard, telephone repairman; Aunt Alberta, Roxie Shea, an indispensable aunt; Mrs. Bundy, Betty Rupp, the missing housekeeper, and Robinson, Neil Gearin, a state trooper.

Stage Manager is Dorothy Bean; Mask Club president; lights, Henry Scott; prompter, Gayle Larson; student director, Charlotte Stovall, make-up-Marva Sult, and set construction, Stan Zwan.

Four to Attend FFA Convention

Four members of the local agriculture class, with Mr. Dube the instructor, plan to attend the state FFA Convention at LaGrande, Oregon, March 10 through March 15th.

The four boys will be representing three classes, freshmen through juniors. The freshman class will send Jack Hoffbuhr and Bill Rasmussen, the sophomores will send Eddie Beeson and the juniors, Lester Schleigh. The two boys will be delegates and two will be alternates. The purpose of the convention is to form the legislative policy for the coming year. State farmer degrees will be awarded and a public speaking contest held. The Phoenix chapter will receive its chapter charter. There will also be recreation and entertainment provided for all the representatives.

P.H.S. Students Fill County Posts

The election for Student Government positions was held on Wednesday, February 13, at Phoenix High School. The Primary elections were held on Tuesday, February 12.

Elected to office were, Lester Schleigh, sheriff; Marva Sult, County Clerk; and Neil Gearin, County Commissioner. Selected for appointive offices were Don Wallace, Jailer; Charles Swingle, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Dorothy Bean was appointed Public Health Nurse. Gayle Larson filled in for Dorothy who was unable to accept her office due to a death in her family. Ron Daugherty, Assistant Juvenile Officer; and Charlote Stovall, Public Welfare Commissioner.

On February 18, Marva Sult swore in all elective officers at the Elks Temple in Ashland.

After the swearing in ceremony, the student government officials were divided into groups and went to radio and television stations to appear on programs associated with the student government program.

In the evening a banquet was held in the Elks Temple in Medford. Neil Gearin expressed appreciation of the Phoenix group.

On Tuesday the students reported to their offices. At noon the student officials had lunch at the Medford Elks Temple with other city officials. That afternoon they visited city and county places of interest. Tuesday evening the members of the city council meeting, City Hall Council Chambers, expressed their thanks to city, county, and school personnel who organized and assisted in making the Student Government Day a working success for all concerned.

Archery Expert Performs at PHS

Bob Dill, nationally known archery expert, appeared in the P.H.S. gymnasium on February 21 to demonstrate to the students the finer points of using a bow and arrow. He included a talk along with the more difficult shots and discussed the growing interest in the sport both as a competitive and hunting activity. Mr. Dill also told of the use of the bow and arrow in Korea where it was tested as a silent weapon.

Due to the property damage sustained in the recent gas explosion in Reno, Nevada, Mrs. Dill was unable to appear as his assistant. Mr. Dill asked Lyle Ferling, who was in the audience, to substitute for her by holding a balloon over the target so that Mr. Dill could shoot it from his hands.

Another trick he performed which drew much applause was his shooting an arrow through a birthday candle. This trick, he said, was even more difficult than Robinhood's famed arrow splitting shot.

Spring Vacation Is Here . . .

Spring vacation begins on March 11 with one complete week set aside for the purposes of rest and relaxation. School will begin on Monday, March 18, same time, same place.

We hear many of the students is and th[illegible]ing trips during the [illegible]on period. Nadine Brood plans on going to Salem (no she hasn't cracked up) with a friend. Perry Sneed is planning a "pleasure" trip to Portland, Oregon. Ellen Gearin will vacation deep in the heart of Texas. Darlene Skinner is going to the coast for some sunshine (or maybe "fog"). Bill Clark may visit Redding, California.

Others less fortunate, are planning to kep the home fires burning. Liz Pramann says she'll stay home and catch up on her sewing. Vanita Cummings plans to sleep most of her vacation time. Wanda Oetken (who is a fine archer) plans to catch up on her target practice.

REBA HENSLEY RETURNS

Yes, she's back again! Miss Reba Hensley, a former student at Phoenix who had moved to San Diego, California, has actually returned to dear ole' "P.H.S.," Reba has been a student at Phoenix off and on over a period of years. She entered the Phoenix school system in the fourth grade.

Reba has been active in many school functions and activities. Some of her physical characteristics are: Height about 5' 3", Color of hair Ash blonde, color of eyes, hazel, and she has very clear olive colored complexion. Welcome back to Phoenix High, Reba!

Three Day Series Sees Pirates as Tourney Victors

The annual 6 A-2 Basketball tournament held Thursday, February 21 through to Saturday, February 23 at the Hedrick Junior High School saw Phoenix, the host school play through to the championship.

The Pirates forced Glendale to walk the plank 64-40 in the first game of the tourney. In the second game of the evening, Eagle Point beat Brookings.

On Friday night the Pirates boarded and sunk Illinois Valley, 46-26. Eagle Point in its second victory kept pace with Phoenix to trim Henley 70-34.

The loss of the series with Glide on Saturday, March 2 and on Monday, March 4, eliminated PHS from the state championship contest.

The 6A-2 district playoff scores were:

Thursday, Glide 48, PHS, 55; Saturday, Glide 64, PHS 47; Monday, Glide 73, PHS, 42.

Saturday's finals saw the Pirates slashing and jabbing all the w[illegible] to victory. Never more than six points separated the two clubs at any time in the game. The score was tied 13 times and the lead switched hands four times. The Pirates had to overcome a five point deficit in the final stanza before they could tack the Jolly Roger to the foretopgallant of their prize craft.

District All-Star Squad

Three Phoenix High players were named to the 10-man District 6 A-2 southern division all-star squad following the tournament Saturday night. They were Gary Simmonds, Jim Stout, and Doug Witte.

Phoenix, a co-runner-up in the regular season Rogue league chase, barged into the playoff action by nudging Eagle Point, the Rogue Champ, 50-48 in the Saturday night finale of the southern subdistrict tournament.

Simmonds Starts Comeback

Gary Simmonds started the Phoenix comeback with a close bucket on a feed. After a free shot he then sank a long pusher to tie the game 44-all with only 3¼ minutes to go. At 2½ minutes to go the Pirates went ahead for keeps on two free counters by Jim Stout. When Gary Simmonds fed the ball for a driving shot, the Phoenix lead went to 48-44.

Eagle Point caught up 48-46 when Dennis Boren made a

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School Spirit . . .

With basketball season nearly over, track season is on the way in. In the past our boys have provided the students with many thrilling spectacles and this season promises to be another exciting one. Those who cannot participate in any of the events should get out and support the team as spectators.

Food For Thought

Food for the mind is as important as food for the body. No person will consider eating garbage,, yet many of them will devour gobs of the stuff for mental nourishment. We make reference to the trash magazines and comic books which are available on most newsstands, be they in a super market, stationary or drug store.

The average high school student attracted to the lurid magazine cover or comic book is an adolescent attempting to satisfy a budding curiosity. Most recognize literary junk and pass it up. Some adolescents succumb to the urge to see what is contained between the covers and spend 25 to 75 cents to buy the magazine or comic book.

Parents, schools, and students share in the responsibility to maintain moral values. This is a responsibility which can neither be ignored nor denied. PHS' reponsibility is limited to the general area of the busses, the school, and related activities. After school responsibility therefore is shared by the parents and the child.

Parents, even working parents, should be acquainted with the reading habits of their children and should exercise sufficient control to see that undesirable reading material neither enters the home nor becomes a part of the daily school book load. Students in addition to a moral responsibility have a further responsibility to their parents, to conduct themselves above reproach. To many there is also the matter of a spiritual responsibility.

Trash magazines and comic books, be they scandal sheets, borderline pornograph art photography, or true love stories are of negative value, either educationally or as a medium of entertainment. We encourage reading. There are many magazines and comic books which do not offend by glorifying banditry, divorce, immorality, drug addiction, wild parties, the so called artist's model photograph and the kind of loose living that anyone with a small amount of common sense can detect as fraudulent. Fortunately the better kind of magazines and comic books are available on the same racks that carry the inferior type and usually are cheaper.

A trash magazine problem at PHS does not now exist. With the co-operation of parents, students, and faculty, no such problem should arise. By participating in the effort to reduce the sales of trash magazines, the so-called juvenile delinquency problems will be limited to the few bad apples that are sure to be found in every barrel. Read for entertainment not debasement.

53 HIGH SCHOOLS WILL ATTEND AAUW YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

Students from 53 high schools in southern Oregon and northern California and their parents and school advisers have been invited to attend the Sixth Annual AAUW-Rotary Conference for Young Adults here March 9.

Dr. Judson Landis, professor of sociology at the University of California and joint author, with his wife, of several textbooks on family relations and personal adjustments for the high school level, will be the conference leader, giving the keynote address in the morning and conducting a question-answer period at the luncheon hour with all participants and visitors.

Southern Oregon college men students who are taking social science majors will be chairmen of the nine discussion groups, and Sigma Epsilon Pi members will assist in preparing the summaries of each group.

Dear Angelica

Dear Angelica:
I like this boy on the basketball team and somebody told me that he likes me, but that he doesn't like girls to chase him. How can I get him to ask me out on a date?
Frustrated

Dear Frustrated:
We know which boy you are talking about and cheer up, you have a very good chance to fanagle a date out of him. You see, Frustrated, he isn't immune to your charms, just be patient but don't wait too long. The F.H.A. is having a Sock Hop this month and you don't want to go stag.
Angelica

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Dear Angelica:
I would like to ask you a very distrubing question. If the Lone Ranger is drafted will he have to sell Silver?
Member of the Draft Board

Dear Member of the D.B.,
In the Lone Ranger's contract it says that Silver must go wherever the L. R. goes, so it looks like the army is going to have to make some changes in one of their uniforms.
Angelica

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Dear Angelica:
Where did the library get that Photography magazine?
Fellow Native

Dear Native:
The magazine was in the mail for the library but we don't know why. The school doesn't have a subscription to Photography — Hmmmmm — maybe we should.
Angelica

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Dear Angelica:
Who is the baby on page three and the two boys in the article "Inner Sanctum" on page four of the last Phoenician?
Mr. I Wonder?

Dear Mr. I Wonder?:
The cute litle girl is Marva Sult but you can tell the picture was taken several years ago. Quite a change from today's Marva. The two boys are the studious Duane Dolan and Victor Shatto. Who else but these two studious sophomores would spend all their spare time in the library studying?
Angelica

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Dear Angelica:
In physics Mr. Skipworth is making us build a Physics project. Do you have any suggestions?
The Lonesome Physist

Dear Lonsome Physist:
Why not build a model robot of a teacher? Here are some ideas you might incorporate into your plans: Give Robby a good understanding disposition, no one likes mean teachers. When you have finished Robby give him Elvis Presley sideburns so he will be a "living doll" and the girls won't be absent so much. Since he will be so cute D.B. won't have a monopoly on the available idols of PHS.
Angelica

It seems that this month Mr. Larson, that popular crome dome, has the student body wondering about his antics. For instance, several PHS's thought they saw a parking ticket on his hopped up shot-rod the day the wind blew so hard. Upon inquiry we found that Mr. Larson never saw it and wasn't about to go looking for it if it was a ticket. Another thing — why hasn't Roscoe Llewellyn (isn't that cute) been eating peanuts lately? His fans were thinking of building a statue of R.L. eating peanuts but since he has ceased (eating peanuts) the momento will not be appropriate. Well, it seems he is on a diet — has to keep that manly figure???? so he can continue to be so popular with his fan club.
Angelica

That's all for the month — sorry all the questions weren't answered but — that's the way the pickle squirts.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Economy is in itself a source of great revenue. Nothing is cheap that you do not need. Save today if you are to spend tomorrow. An empty purse is a heavy load to carry into old age. He who buys what he doesn't need steals from himself. One must be economical in order to be liberal. The thrift of today is the profit of the future.

Platter Chatter

Hi Humans,
If your weepers are in focus and you feel up to it, let's take a romp through the wax works and dig the situation. Hold onto your wigs and frames cause here are the PHS top ten waxings:

(1) Playing for Keeps-by the Ever-Swinging Daddy-O, Elvis Presley.
(2) Young Love - by the Real Hep Earthling, Tab Hunter.
(3) You Don't Owe Me A Thing - by Crying Johnny Ray.
(4) Don't Forbid Me - by that Hepster Pat Boone
(5) Butterfly - by Andy Williams.
(6) Too Much - by Daddy-O Elvis again.
(7) The Girl Can't Help It - by the Swingin' Cat, Little Richard.
(8) Rock Pretty Baby - by Jimmy Daley and his Ding-A-Lings.
(9) Can I Steal A Little Love - by the Voice, Frank Sinatra.
(10) There You Go - by the Groovy Johnny Cash.

If you haven't dug these records, get groovy and dig them hard, they're the greatest. These waxings are real gassereenies of the highest level.

Until again we collide play it the coolest and don't do anything we'd be sorry if we missed.

The Two Frantic Earthlings
— from Split City

Saturday: A Gray Day

Saturday, March 2 was a gray day to PHS in more ways than one. At least in the minds of several Pirates it was.

A quartet of Buccaneers boarded their old but sturdy appearing craft for their trip to Glide. They were filled with high hopes, cheer, and the best intentions to spur their team on to victory. Good bye's were said and as handkerchiefs fluttered in the windows of the nearby homes to wish them Godspeed and good luck, the craft pulled away without incident and entered into the stream of traffic on the way to Roseburg. A spanking breeze helped them along so that at about mid-afternoon, the Church spires of Roseburg were sighted and in a short time the hardy four were navagating the wavy streets of the city.

With much time to spare, the group decided to ply their craft about, in and around the community at large, before heading for the site of the evening's game. The gods had different ideas on what was to occur. While drifting about the hinterlands they noticed their craft acting a little awkward forward of the starboard bow. A heavy shimmy had developed and the skipper decided to make for the nearest port for immediate repairs. About 50 feet short of a dry dock and service station, the rim of the right front wheel split, grounding their ship hard on the rocks.

Repairs were made and the quartet were soon once again under way. Intending to go to Glide, the skipper held to a course that he thought was NNE. Arriving in Southerlin he found out that he had been sailing due North. Turning about they pointed their bow in the direction of their destination, however, their misfortunes had not ended just yet.

Four bells had struck when the man at the tiller wheel reported shimmying up forward again on the starboard side. Fearing a repetition of the earlier breakdown, the skipper ordered his quartermaster to head for the nearest junk yard. In drydock it was found that the wheel rim was crooked and had to be replaced. Repairs completed they were once more under way and arrived in due time at their port of call.

The time consumed in making repairs, shifting course, and in traveling brought our ardent Pirate four to the gates of the Glide HS gym a few minutes before the game ended. Dejection was high and so the group headed back to the home port. Misfortune, which had dogged their steps, once again blew her horn, for the wind died down and the gasoline gave out about 10 miles North of Central Point. Once again our hardy wayfarers were stranded.

During the hours of the dogwatch, getting gasoline is difficult. Lifts with passing lighters helped out, however, at best, it took the skipper and his first mate better than one hour to go to Medford and return with the vital fluid.

Without further mishap, the Pirate crew arrived home safely.

Chunks & Hanks

As the old year passed away, so did my other self . . . It took my bad traits all away and put them on the shelf . . . With pen in hand I did resolve to be an angel sweet . . To be a good girl all the time for me would be no feat . . .

I'd do the housework everyday, I'd do my homework too . . . I'd hand my lessons in on time and make the teachers coo . . . I'd even part with chewing gum, I'd give up chocolate candy . . . I'd never tell those awful lies that were so very handy . . . The straight and narrow roadway would be the path for me . . . I'd never see the winding lane that called me to be free . . .

Monday found me fast asleep when the school bell rang . . . But I told my teacher I was ill without a single pang . . . I chewed my gum with gusto, I ate chocolate during class . . . I wrote a note to Sally, I was a wicked lass . . .

I'd left my housework all undone, my homework was no better . . . For my lessons for the next day, I didn't know a letter . . . My better self forgot to be my better self and so . . . I tore my little paper up and to next year let it go . . .

—Whims, Broadway High School, Seattle, Wash.

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P. H. S. SCIENCE PROGRAM SCHOOL

P.H.S. has been designated as one of the participating schools for a program of improving mathematics and science teaching. The program will involve 195 Oregon High Schools. Sponsor of the program is the American Association for the advancement of Science. It is being directed from the University of Oregon.

Objective of the program is to develop 195 better trained educators who will interest students towards vocations of science and mathematics, according to university officials.

Awareness, by education, of the acute shortage of well qualified science and mathematics teachers prompted AAAS in working out details for a program to solve the problem.

The program calls for the use of science counselors in the schools to give a type of in-service training to teachers on the job.

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BIOLOGY CLASS DISSECTS COWS EYE

The third period biology class dissected several cows' eyes Monday, Feb. 18. The class was divided into groups of four, each group working on an eye. Mr. Parmalee and Mr. Lason, science instructors, supervised the work.

Each group had to look for the following parts: cornea, sclerotic coat, choroid, pupil, lens, iris, and the optic nerve. They were also to find the aqueous humor and the vitreous humor.

The laboratory work is being conducted with the study of man and animal life. The similarity of the construction of the eye of the cow to that of a human enables students to grasp more closely the structure of the eye and its function parts.

"In my opinion," stated one student, "the dissection of the eye was one of the most interesting laboratory experiences that I have ever observed. I also found out, to my amazement, that studying came lots easier afterward than if I had to read it from a book. I believe a biology class is more interesting if there is more action than reading."

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Students Find Sewing Useful

Sewing can be useful. This has been shown during the past six weks by the homemaking classes working under the supervision of Mrs. Holmes. Each girl has to make at least one complete ensemble, dress or a skirt and blouse.

The articles of clothing the girls have sewed so far range from shorty nightgowns to jumpers. All the girls will have a chance to model their outfits later on this year in the fashion show to be held in the spring.

Some of the outfits completed have already been worn proving the value of sewing.

Marva Sult and Gayle Larson made identical dresses out of blue and violet material. Gayle's new dress came in quite handy at the recently held Student Government Day and it was quite easy to spot Gayle with her charming dress when the student government day participants appeared on T.V.

Roxie Shea has really gone to town with the sewing machine. So far she has made a duster and shorty nightgown which are really neat.

Mary Ellen Mitchell made a fashionable dress of cotton striped material. Mary Ellen is another one of those girls lucky enough to be able to turn out adorable clothes with not too much difficulty.

Jody Lady is making a coat for Mark, her son, Pat Lowery is sewing a pink duster, Marilyn Grennan is finishing up a grey empire waist jumper, and Janice Grove is sewing a pair of purple cordoroy riding pants.

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Student Council Outlines Plans

Mr. Skipworth, Activities Director and Student Council adviser addressed the Council on February 19 during third Tuesday activity period. His talk covered various items of interest to the school and suggested they be discussed during future meeting.

One item of considerable interest was the matter of magazines such as True Romance, Hot Rod, Rod and Custom, etc. that students are inclined to carry with them from class to class.

Another item Mr. Skipworth brought to the attention of the Student Council had to do with the polishing of the trophys at PHS.

At a meeting held the 26th of February in the projection room, a dance was discussed. It will be held in the gym Friday, March 8, sponsored by Student Council, and is scheduled on the calendar.

Several new records and a record album are being purchased to bring the record selection up to date.

March Birthdays

Jack Rinn	5
Billy Ames	6
Gary Simmonds	8
Frances Stout	9
Darlene Skinner	10
Margaret Ann Bolz	15
Neil Gearin	15
Alan Morse	16
Jim Stout	18
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Calendar

March 7 — National Honor Society Installation
March 9 — District Debate Conference in Medford
March 11-15 — Spring Vacation
March 17 — St. Patrick Day
March 22 — FHA soc hop
March 23 Z Solo Ensemble Contest at Klamath Falls
March 26 — National School Assembly
March 29 — FHA Conference

Prize Photos Are on Display

Fifty prize photographs including the top winners in the Ninth Annual National High School Photographic Awards are being shown at Phoenix High School from March 1 to March 15.

The Awards, sponsored annually by Eastman Kodak Company, is generally acknowledged as the leading teen-age photo contest. It recognizes achievement in photography with more than 240 cash prizes totaling $5,000.

Representative of the excellent work done by high school students throughout the U. S. and its territories, the exhibit includes all major prize winners from the 1954 competition, plus a selection of pictures that received Special Awards.

Activities in and out of school, sports, people, scenes, animals — all have been caught by perceptive eyes of the young photographers, and are included in the display. Some show carefully studied designs, others reveal action; still others are subjects of quiet beauty. All of them are more than mere record shots; they have something to say.

Grand prize winning pictures included in the display are the work of: John Ream, Notre Dame High School, Portsmouth, Ohio; Carlie Ann Hall, Muskegon Michigan Senior High School; Larry Leach, Bakersfield California High School; and Rosalie May, Hamilton High Schol, Los Angeles, California.

Judges for the 9th Annual Awards were: Murl Deusing, Curator of Education, Milwaukee Public Museum; Fred Kildow, Director of the National Scholastic Press Association; and K. W. Williams, Manager, Photographic Illustrations Division, Eastman Kodak Company.

Information about the 1957 competition may be obtained by writing to the National High School Photographic Awards, 343 State Stret, Rochester 4, New York.

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ROGUE RODS CLUB FORMED FEBRUARY 13

On Wednesday, February 13, several fellows interested in a car club met at Bob Taylor's home to begin the origination of the Rogue Rods Club.

During the course of the meeting, officers Bob Taylor, president; Jim Heath, vice-president; Jim James, secretary; Dennis James and Gary Simmonds, treasurers were elected. An entry fee of five dollars was approved and one dollar a month was also established as dues. Car plaques were discussed and a design is to be submitted at a future meeting.

It is hoped by the members of the organization that they will be able to secure the presence of a law enforcement officer, such as a state or city policeman to serve as councilor and adviser to the club.

Mr. Roy Heath, the father of Jim Heath has said that he will aid and advise the club. Members of the car club plan to interest more parents in the work and organization of the club.

The objective of the club is to promote safe driving among teenagers, to interest parents so as to help them to understand that a car or hot rod club is not one which cares only for racing, and is the reason for delinquent driving habits. Instead it encourages better driving habits and encourages the members to keep their cars in a safe-driving condition.

Triple Trio At Grange

The Triple Trio, made up of girls from the chorus, and an instrumental quartet from the band performed at a Phoenix Grange meeting, Tuesday, February 26.

The Triple Trio, accompanied by Karen Golding at the piano, sang "Allegheny Moon and "This Ole House." The girls in the Triple Trio are Nancy Stewart, Wava Glasscock, Alma Stovall, Mary Daniels, Beverly Keene, Bonnie Mulleneaux, Charlotte Keene, Alicia Abbott and Pat Kidwell.

The quartet played "Basin Street Blues" and "Rock-a-Beatin' Boogie." Members of the quartet are Charlotte Unruh, clarinet; Don Wallace, bass; Glen Bradley, trombone; Eldon Mitchell, cornet.

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Gym Fire a FiZZle

A fire in the PHS gym occurred on Friday, February 15, with minor damage. Smoke filled the almost empty gym about 3:45 p.m., a few minutes after a large student assembly had been dismissed.

Benny Abbott discovered smoke in the gym and notified Mr. James. Upon reaching the gym Mr. James found smoke pouring from the wash room below the bleachers. It was found to be a dryer which had a faulty thermostat causing extreme heat within the dryer. Some towels inside had burst into flames from the heat of the dryer which were quickly extinguished.

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Way back in the hills of Tennessee lives a family, called Presley. Well, everybody knows these folks for their KEENE ear fer music. They plays all kind o' instruments and they sang too. Beings how they've been a callin' hogs in the hills fer quite a while, their voices are well trained fer singin' all types of tunes. An' they is the WITTEst people this side of Sourdough Mountain. My! WATKINS they got too–uncles, aunts, cousins, chickens, pigs.. . . .!

Well, one day Ma Presley sent the oldest boy, Melvis, down to the general store fer some STOVALL fer the stove and for some SALT. She couldn't cook the BEANS fer supper til she had the oil to light the fire. Well, Melvis is GEARIN the old CARR down the rabbit trail, a STRAHMin' hisgeetar when he met up with a cute little DAHL ridin' a TROTTin' horse. She were the purtiest thing he'd ever laid his eyes on and he knew he just had to meet up with her or he'd HAIGHT hisself fer the rest of his borned days. The gal was a GRENNAN from ear to ear and Melvis grinned right back at her. He was a searchin' his poor, little, distorted brain fer a way to stop her, when he seen one of his homemade BOHMs laying in the floorboard. He went and throwed it smack dab in front a the horse, ,and I'm telling you that horse stopped right soonlike. Old Melvis, now he's CUMMINGS toward the girl like the airplane that had GLIDDEN to a landin' on top old Miss GILLASPEY'S house that very morn. Ole Melvis didn't know that this gal's boyfriend were follering on his swift MEDFORD horse. This boyfriend was planniin' on marrin' up with the girl and taking her to his SHATTO in France. His plan had gone like CLARK work til this, this-- 'Davy Crockett' came along. This man, he's a PLUMMER through, so he was used to fixin' nuts.

The gal jumped into Melvis' arms as the horse fell, the boyfriend hit Melvis and knocked the girl to the ground, and the gal started to hollar, 'We' SNEED a referee, somebody!' A whole gob of referees jumped out into the open then. Well, thar was Corn Pone, Ma Presley, Hush Puppy, Pa Presley, and Pea Picker, Melvis Presley's twin. They broke up the fight and purty soon everything was quiet as a saloon on Sunday. When Melvis was ABBOTT to leave, the girl said, 'I'm glad you decided to sMcCARTY in the puss, cause he deserved it, mighty much!'

Well, ole Melvis is kinda stuck on that purty gal he saw, so the next day, bright an' early, he goes and tells the girl he wants him and her to get hitched. She said, 'You BLUNT thing, I'll do it! We'll spend my LOWERY money and take the BLANKENSHIP across the sea' to DEANmark.'

Few years later, Melvis, he came a father. He tole his wife, then and there, 'Well cal'LARSON --- BRADLEY McFume MILTONhoff.

'Oh, Melvis, do somethin' with them kitties that's making so much noise, will you?' The wife didn't like the idea of Melvis havin' mor'n 22 cats. 'Throw one of yur BOHMs in their food or CLOWERform them', shrieked wifey.

After six more kids were borned, Melvis and family moved to JAMEStown, where Melvis had a job on the Red Suvilland Show. Never did find out just what ole Melvis does on the show.

By Charlotte Stovall

PRACTICAL PIRATE PARENTS PROMOTE PARTY

Mrs. Edward Rupp, Mrs. Ernest Bolz and Mrs. Walt Bolz, mothers of PHS cheer leaders, Bety Rupp, Ida Marie Bolz and Margaret Bolz combined their efforts to put on a spur-of-the-moment victory party after the Saturday night triumph, at Mrs. Rupp's home.

Betty Rupp said that the mothers, seeing how happy everyone was after the winning of the district championship, decided to have a party for the Pirate crew while the guests were arriving at the house. The Mrs. Rupp and Bolz literally raided Anderson's Market just before it closed for the night.

Approximately thirty students attended the party, including most of the basketball team and the yell leaders. Alice Hendrickson, Mickey Rose, Darline Skinner, and Pat Kidwell all came in out of the rain soaking wet. Alice had been set down in a mud puddle and all four were covered with the blue dye from the wet crepe paper streamers they were carrying. They left shortly afterward to go home to change into dry clothing.

Despite the crowded house no casualties or property damages resulted.

Carole Anderson had a flash camera and took some pictures. Betty and Don Wallace furnished recorded music while Earl Dillree played hot piano music.

Refreshments included lunch meat sandwiches, several varieties of crackers, nuts, celery, cookies, pop, punch, olives, and pop corn. All who attended said that they had a good time. In true Pirate tradition colors were struck after a reasonable hour and shipmates wended their way homeward, tired but elated over the tournament victory.

PATRONIZE THOSE WHO PATRONIZE US

Phoenix FTA Host to SOCites

The members of the Phoenix chapter of Future Teachers of America acted as hostesses to several members of the Southern Oregon College F.T.A. on Monday, February 18. The visitors were Mary Thums, president; Sandra Qualman, vice-president; and Chuck Brandsness, historian.

They told of their club activities and of plans for the near future. Various fields of teaching were discussed and questions were answered on different phases of the teaching profession.

Cupcakes and punch were served by the refreshment committee, Alma Stovall and Jean Floyd. According to Alma, the punch was furnished by Mrs. Mable Sims, F.T.A. adviser, and Virginia Martin helped supply cupcakes.

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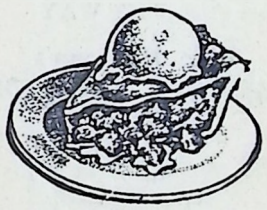
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Sophomore Class Holds Cake Walk

A cake walk sponsored by the Sophomore class was held in the P.H.S. gymnasium Friday, February 22. A special cake was baked and named "Washington's Birthday Cake" in honor of our first President. Tickets for the Birthday Cake were sold for twenty five cents, tickets for the other cakes were 10 cents.

Winners were Fred Fayetinger, Wanda Oetken, Carol Anderson, Nadine Brood, Bill Clark, Charlotte Unruh, Danny Goddard, Betty Silva, Bev Keene, and others.

Steelhead Fishing Slow

Steelhead fishing was reported slow on most of the Oregon rivers throughout last week due to cold water and lack of rain. Warmer weather and the melting snow could improve conditions quite rapidly.

On the local rivers fishing was reported poor to good, with the Illinois River producing best. The Rogue River seemed to be carrying a great number of fish but the water has been too muddy for any success. The Applegate was reported too low and cold for fishing. The Illinois appears as the best prospect for fishing at the present time.

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Lizard Panics Biology Class

A lizard panicked the third period biology class on Feb. 27. Mr. Parmalee, cadet teacher from SOC, and Mr. Larson, biology teacher, were conducting the study of the reflexes of a lizard when the laboratory specimen accidently escaped.

The students couldn't make for the tall timber so they did the next best thing by standing on chairs and desks with a great deal of noise. There were a few brave students who began looking for the lizard after the initial scare was over. Mr. Parmalee held up a jar which contained the escaped lizard. He had not really released it, simply hiding it to check the reflexes of the students.

Rods 'N' Ends

There will be no running down of anyone's car this time, just a few hints for the boys who drag race out behind the town.

First in importance of course is the engine's breathing, so remove the air cleaners from the carbouretors, they only take up space. For improved breathing, remove the hood and attach a good used or new iron lung. This is liable to cause impaired driver vision so the thing to do is to attach a periscope from an old submarine as a means to see around the engine.

Compression is also very important. High compression heads are available for most makes of cars, however they are expensive, so simply chop or mill the original heads. This can be done with a real sharp hatchet, and literally chop about a half inch from their surface.

The exhaust is really more important than most people believe so kick off the mufflers and the car is ready to go, simply step on the gas and ZOOM —

For real good advice, don't do any of the things mentioned above. To drag race, go to the strip at Camp White. It was set up for that purpose.

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Pirates Capture Sub-District Title

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couple of two-hand jumpers from behind the free throw stripe. Boren then fouled James who made both tries for 50-46 with only 27 seconds left to play. Greb missed an Eagle's free shot on Stout's foul at 19 seconds remaining, but Boren canned a jumper at the side of the basket at 8 seconds left. The game ended on a long Phoenix pass down the court.

At the end of the first quarter in which there were 5 tie scores, Phoenix headed 16-14. The Pirates had one bulge of six points at 12-6, but the slow starting Eagles pulled on top themselves in the second quarter. They went on top at 20-18 and then on to 26-20. James and Wallace each downed a pair of foul tosses for Phoenix and the Eagle Point edge was 28 to 26 at the half.

The Pirates claimed their victory on an 18 to 16 margin in free shots. Each club had 16 field goals. Five personals were whistled on Phoenix in the first quarter and the Eagles took full use to collect 10 of their 14 points in the period.

Phoenix was forced to do some pressing in the final quarter to get on top. A few shots by the Eagles from mid range or deeper were missed and helped to give the Pirates the opportunities they needed to win the game.

Phoenix High ordered the tropheys which were awarded Saturday night, February 23, after the games. Jim James and Jim Heath accepted the first place trophy for the Phoenix Pirates. Eagle Point received one for second place and Illinois Valley came in for the third place trophy. As a consolation prize a basketball used throughout the tourney was presented to Brookings.

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Math Contest Information

The Mathematics Association of America with the Society of Actuaries as co-sponsor is conducting a high school mothematics contest again this year. The contest is being offered to Oregon high school students through the New York section of the Association. The contest will be held Thursday, May 9. It is in the form of multiple choice and the material is taken from elementary and intermediate algebra and plane geometry.

A pin bearing a facsimile of the seal of the association will be awarded to the PHS students with the highest score.

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